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¹³⁵County May Decide Fate Of Peachtree Centre Soon

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A meeting is expected soon of the Cherokee County Council's Human Services Committee to discuss the future of Peachtree Centre, the county-owned nursing and health care facility.

County Administrator Ben Clary says the county has received a number of proposals since the status of the facility - which is supplemented by more than \$1 million each year in the county budget - was discussed by council recently.

Clary says the national companies have proposed several plans including purchasing the facility and managing it for the county.

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The front runner appears to be the Hollinger Group of Mechanicsburg, PA. The company has proposed a management agreement for six months. In that agreement, Cherokee County would pay the company to manage the facility.

Human Services Committee Chairman Rufus Foster says he currently supports that proposal, pending information from other firms. "They say they can save us thousands of dollars," Foster says.

The Human Services Committee meets on July 13. However, Clary says he anticipates a special meeting with the various companies to review their proposals. No date has been set, he says.